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FILE

PRESENTATION FORM FOR GRAPHIC MATERIAL		DATE
(Submit to HQ-00/C in triplicate with process sheet attached)		8 July 1953
DIST: ORIG-GRAPHICS; DUPL-CASE FILE; TRIPL-SOURCE FILE; QUAD-FO RECORD		
AREA Detroit, Mich.		
SUBJECT "Play Boy" car		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GIFT <input type="checkbox"/> LOAN		
NUMBER OF ITEMS AND CATEGORY (Still photographs, negatives, or slides)		
2 Still photographs 8 x 10		
<i>NONE ACCESSIONED. PHOTO OF LITTLE CURRENT INTEREST ACCORDING TO REQUESTOR INTERVIEWED. PRIORITY MATERIAL COMES FIRST. PHOTOS TO UNNUMBERED FILE - 13 AUG 53 JTB completed</i>		
DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL		
DATE OF EXPOSURE Unknown		
One view showing car with top up " " " " " top down - Both side views		
<p>Proposed arrangement for investment in production of automobiles in Japan... Estimated annual sales three or four million dollars. The engineering company which furnished these stills, manufactures tools, jigs and special machinery for industrial firms but they do not maintain an automobile mfg plant. They did supply certain machinery equipment for a company in Buffalo, NY, which made the "Play Boy". The dies, jigs, etc, which are in their possession, were actually items intended for use by the "Play Boy" company, which was located in Buffalo, NY; due to financial difficulties, however, payment could not be made for this equipment. Our source was left holding the equipment and thereupon sent a representative to Japan with the idea of unloading it on one of the Japanese automotive companies, as that country is in a position to use small automobiles, such as "Play Boy". As of the above date it appears that results will be nil because, while all our source wished to do was to sell the die and fixture equipment, it seems that the Japanese wish to borrow the complete blueprints of the whole car as well as have our source draw up complete working plans for the tooling of the plant in Japan for the manufacture of the car in Japan and likewise finance this necessary equipment, which would be reimbursable out of earned income... Source has rejected this proposal but have initiated negotiations with another firm in Japan.. Some specifications of the Playboy are: length bumper to bumper: 13 ft; height 54 in; width 58 in; seat width 51 in; weight 1900 lbs; speed 70 mph. Gasoline consumption: 35 miles to US gallon. One piece all steel body. Four-wheel hydraulic brakes.</p>		
Security Information		25X1A2g
FOR HEADQUARTERS USE ONLY		25X1A9a
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CASE NO.	RETURN DEADLINE (IF LOAN)	
GR CONTROL NO.	25X1A2g	

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